Jan 21, 1969

Dear Harold:

In response to your Jan 18 letter, you didn't read my letter carefully. I gave you "A Citizens Dissent" as a reference, not "Rush to Judgement". In the event you do not yet have a copy let me give you the quote from "A C D."

Bowers was filmed and taped by Lane saying this, and on page 215 in a footnote, as well as in the text. He states that three winos were shaken out of a freight train which he had pulled up to a point very near his tower.

Here is another point. There is no question that the string of seven photos show the route taken by the three men and the two cops was along the Elm St extension to Houston St. and south on Houston to the middle of the block where they can be seen in the last photo entering the garage entrance to the sheriff's office.

Now, if they had been arrested behind the Post Office, why in gods name would the two cops have walked them all the way around Dealey Plaza to get to the sheriff's office? The shortest route would have been along the south side of the Plaza in front of the Post Office building and then north on Houston to the sheriff's office entrance near the corner of Houston and Main.

There were undoubtedly many witnesses to the arrest, including Harkness and the sworm of policemen described by Bowers. Some of these must still be alive. Maybe your friends can find them. I still say, if they were innocent real winos, we would have known their names a long time ago.

I suppose Penn Jones will be adding Buddy Walthers name to his list. Now, we may never find out what it was he really picked up from the south curb of Elm St.

If you're in New Orleans on Feb 5 & 6, I may see you there. I'll be in town attending a business meeting.

Regards
Dick